

REMARKS

Claims 24-39, 41 and 43-55 are pending in the application. Claims 42 and 57-58 have been cancelled from the application without prejudice in this Reply. Claim 24 is amended above to include the feature of allowable claim 42. No new matter has been added to the application by way of these claims amendments.

VI. THE ALLOWBLE SUBJECT MATTER

The examiner indicated that claims 43 and 47 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claims 43 and 47 have been amended above to confer with amendment to independent claims. As a result, claims 43 and 47 are now believed to be allowable.

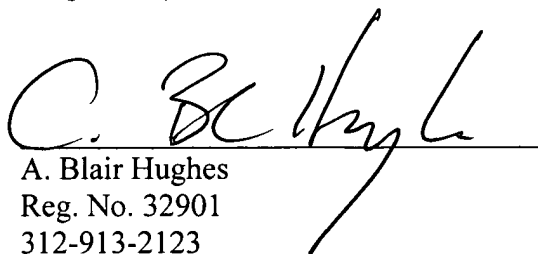
CONCLUSION

It is believed that the specification, claim and drawing amendments made above, and the statements in favor of patentability presented above overcome and/or traverse all objections and rejections raised by the examiner in the January 24, 2005 Final Rejection. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of all pending application claims 24-39 and 41-58 is courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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